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LB 216, 355, 382, 404, 404A, 530, 623, 687
687A, 740, 813, 880
LR 89-95

CLERK: 26 ayes, 8 nays on the motion to reconsider.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The motion is successful. Items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, a Reference report; amendment by Senator Bohlke to (LB) 813; study resolutions: (LR) 89, (LR) 90, (LR) 91, (LR) 92, (LR) 93, (LR) 94, and (LR) 95.

Mr. President, Enrollment and Review reports LB 382 and (LB) 355 to Select File. Enrollment and Review reports (LB) 216, (LB) 404, (LB) 404A, (LB) 530, (LB) 623, (LB) 687, (LB) 687A, (LB) 740 as correctly engrossed. That's all that I had, Mr. President. (See pages 1831-1837 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Wehrbein, you're next to speak on the Wehrbein amendment. (AM1613 is found on page 1830 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members, so I'm clear, we're back to debate on the main motion.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We are back to your original amendment as if it had not been acted upon.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That's what I understand. Thank you, Mr. President and members, and I'm going to be very brief. I don't want to leave anyone confused or having misunderstandings. I also don't want to belabor the point because we did spend several minutes debating the issue. But I just want to say, once again, the office was created, the Office of Community Justice, created in 1993 by the Community Correctional Facilities Program Act. We did not fund it the first year. My memory's correct, in '95 we put in some pilot projects across the state. In '97, we put in... '97-98, we put a million dollars in over two years to develop community corrections program. That's where we're at. We have taken awhile to build these programs. They were put in as alternatives to incarceration. And some of the examples that we have are some that I've already mentioned, but they are seeking alternatives to incarceration.